

## **Patoka Lake Special Events 2012**



## Saturday, January 7 Eagle Watch

\$5/person and pre-registration required. Two sessions: 8:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. and Noon – 3p.m. Indoor and outdoor programs, including car caravan around lake. Bring warm clothing, binoculars and cameras.

### Saturday, April 14 Spring Festival

10a.m. – 2p.m. Bring seeds and plants from home to exchange during our Seed Savers & Plant Exchange. Crafts and games for the kids, forest hike and activities for all ages! Photos taken with Smokey Bear & MORE!

## Saturday, June 2 Kid's Fishing Derby

8:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. Kids ages 12 and under, bring fishing poles, bait and tackle. *Park and meet at the Modern Campgrounds Center Shelterhouse to register your children for this event at 8:30a.m.* Fishing will begin after a short hike to the Children's Fishing Pond!

## Saturday, June 9 Walking Stick Workshop

\$5/walking stick. Create your one of a kind walking stick in honor of National Trails Day on June 12<sup>th</sup> and then hit the trails with the Naturalist.

## Saturday, June 30 Thunder Over Patoka

Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Celebration at DARK!

#### Saturday, July 14 Star Party

1p.m. – 10p.m. join the Evansville & Louisville Astronomical Societies and the Stonebelt Stargazers of Bedford at the beach. Come and take a look at the sun, distant planets and other wonders of the night sky while listening to stories and narration from the people who know it best!

## Saturday, August 4 Smokey Bear's 68th Birthday Bash

10a.m. – noon Kid's crafts, games, and activities. Enjoy a presentation by local fire fighters, cake, prizes, pictures with the bear himself, and more!

## Saturday, September 8 Pick Up Patoka

Bring boats, kayaks, hiking boats, work gloves, insect repellent, and long pants. Collect trash and debris along the lakeshore for the betterment of our environment and drinking water.

## Saturday, September 15 Wheelin' IN the Fish

10a.m. – 2p.m. at Osborn Ramp on Patoka Lake. Outdoor opportunities for people with special needs and their families. Fishing (poles & bait provided while supplies last), boat rides, door prizes, & lunch provided.

# Friday, October 19 & Saturday, October 20 Autumn Getaway Weekend

ALL activities take place at the modern campgrounds. Crafts & games, campsite decorating, Dutch Oven Cook-Off Competition, pet parade & pet costume contest, nature programs, cast iron chili, pumpkin carving, face painting and MUCH MORE!



### Saturday, November 10 A Pioneer Holiday (Heritage

<u>Day</u> 10a.m. – 2p.m. at the Patoka Lake Visitor Center. Enjoy Moery cabin tours with costumed interpreters, Native American life presentation, blacksmithing, quilting, crocheting, traditional holiday celebrations from the late 1800's to early 1900's and more! Food vendor &bake sale.

## Saturday, November 17 Holiday Craft Workshop

9a.m. – 2p.m. at the Patoka Lake Visitor Center. Preregistration required. Create holiday gifts and decorations for you or a friend. Fun crafts for the kids! Use some of nature's materials to liven up your home this holiday. Call the Visitor Center for details and fee information.